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SUBJECT: JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE: SERVICE OF PROCESS

REF: TEHRAN 2987

1. REFTEL PASSED TO LINDA NICKS IN WICHITA.

2. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN EMBASSY STATEMENT THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 22 CFR 92.85 CONSULAR OFFICERS PROHIBITED FROM SERVING LEGAL DOCUMENTS. THIS PROHIBITION INCLUDES, FOR FUTURE SIMILAR CASES, MAILING OF A SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT TO AN INDIVIDUAL ON BEHALF OF AN ATTORNEY IN THE UNITED STATES. CONSULAR OFFICERS MAY ONLY SERVE LEGAL PAPERS AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT.

3. DEPT HAS ADVISED MS. NICKS THAT MOST PRACTICAL SOLUTION TO OBTAINING SERVICE IN IRAN UPON A DEFENDANT WOULD BE TO CONTACT A LOCAL ATTORNEY WHO WOULD, WE EXPECT, WORK WITH MINISTRY OF JUSTICE IN EFFECTING SERVICE IN IRAN. LIST OF TEHRAN ATTORNEYS BEING FORWARDED TO HER. DEPT INQUIRES WHY THIS SOLUTION WAS NOT PROVIDED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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REFTEL. THE QUESTION OF OBTAINING SERVICE IN IRAN WAS

ADDRESSED IN 76 TEHRAN 6042, 76 STATE 153196 AND 76 TEHRAN 6374. HAS EMBASSY MORE CURRENT INFORMATION. COOPER

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